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**POSSE COMITATUS**

**PART 12 OF 13**

**BUFILE:157-33487**

# FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Posse Comitatus

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Enclosed for the Bureau (Bufile 157-28219) are eight copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Detroit, San Diego, and Sacramento are two copies each of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Chicago and New York for information is one copy each of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Knoxville is one copy of LHM dated and captioned as above along with one copy each of previous airtels to the Bureau dated 6/3/76 and 6/9/76 concerning this matter.

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Information copies furnished Chicago and New York Divisions in view of mention of institution in those divisions which may be targets of captioned group and in view of prior dissemination.

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Information copy furnished Knoxville in view of possible interest of that division.

Dissemination to Milwaukee file 157-2768, 157-2873, and 157-2817 is in view of information of possible pertinence to those matters.

Dissemination of LHM dated and captioned as above being made locally to USA, Western District of Wisconsin, Madison; ATF; IRS Intelligence; and Secret Service, Milwaukee, in view of their possible interest in this matter.

In view of the facts contained in LHM, the true identity of the Wausau area group has been established as Identity Group and its contact with the Chicago Division National Headquarters of the group has been verified. Milwaukee Division is there continuing this as a full investigation under the authority and in accordance with guidelines of the Attorney General.

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At Huntsville, Alabama

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At Detroit, Michigan

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Reference is made to previous memoranda dated June 3, 1976 and June 9, 1976 entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Chapter, Identity Group, Marathon County Chapter". The title of this memorandum reflects the true identity of the group as based on investigation herein contained.

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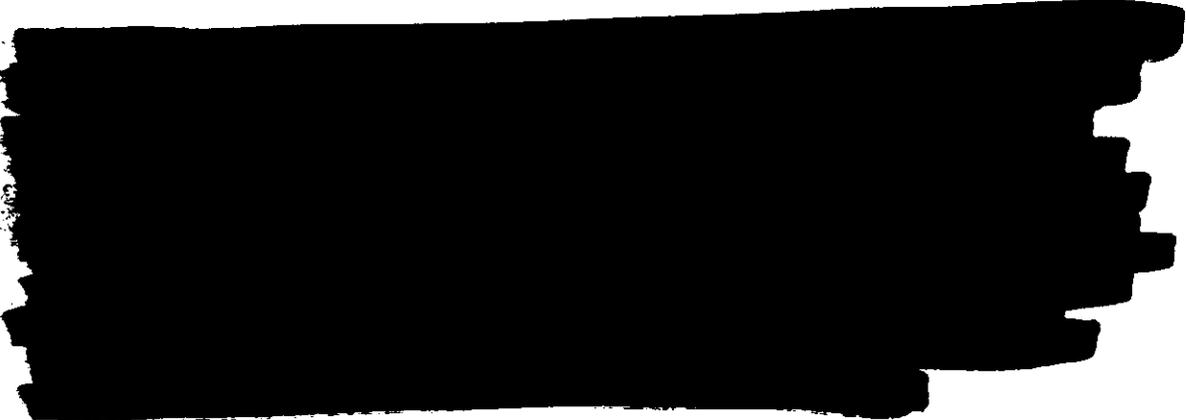
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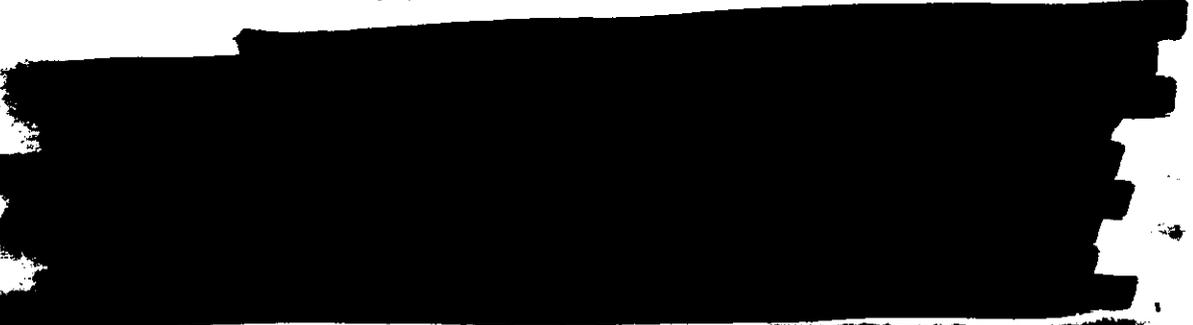
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Review of the Marathon County Registrar of Deeds Office reflects that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), Marathon County Chapter, Incorporated, was dissolved as an entity on September 19, 1975 by Thomas F. Stockheimer. It was also noted that on March 15, 1974 a separate corporation was formed calling itself the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee Incorporated of Marathon County, Wisconsin, listing its principals as Arthur G. Peterson, Thomas F. Stockheimer, Albin Ostrowski, Ray Ombrnick, Ron Balthazor, R. David Pennings, Rodney L. Hilmerhauser. This corporation is still on record at the Registrar of Deeds Office. Review of the records further indicates that there is no corporation formed known as the Identity Group. It is noted that the listed principals for the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee Incorporated are the same individuals who are listed as principals of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus which was dissolved.



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An article in the "Wausau Record Herald" on page 1 on July 23, 1976, entitled, "White supremacy group holds rallies in Wausau" was written by a Staff reporter, Geri Nikolai and is set forth as follows:

"A white supremacy group that advocates execution of the Jews and slavery of the blacks is apparently attracting followers in Marathon County.

"The group, called 'National Emancipation of our White Seed,' has held two rallies in Wausau in the past six weeks. The first was June 13 at the Marathon Park Youth Building. The second was Tuesday night at the Hoffman House.

"Main speaker at Tuesday night's meeting was Buddy Tucker, introduced as pastor of Temple Memorial Church in Knoxville, Tenn., and successor to the late anti-semite Gerald L. K. Smith."

"Tucker left no doubt about the goals of the group and his interpretation of Christianity and the Bible."

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"In his view, the Bible has ordained that whites are to rule the world. Black males, he said, should be neutered and used for labor. Jews, he said, must be exterminated. He talked about chopping them up for fertilizer.

"Tucker, contacted Wednesday at the home of Mike Dodge in Mosinee, didn't soften his remarks for the newspaper. He reasserted that the white race is the chosen race and frequently used Bible verses to support his belief in that and the subservient 'place' of other races.

"Tucker said the Jews in the U.S. have two choices.

"'They can get out of America, or stay here and die,' he said.

"Asked if that wasn't close to advocating murder, he replied, 'That's what God says to do. That's what we'll be doing. We're organizing to do just that.'

"He said the ideas he espouses will become the 'law of the land.'

"Tucker and his supporters, who had verbal slurs for just about every non-white race, maintained that God is 'the greatest racist there ever was.'

"Dodge, who described himself as pastor of the Life Science Church of Mosinee and Tigerton, made arrangements for Tuesday night's meeting. He says he is working to organize a chapter of the 'Whitehood' in Waushara County.

"Dodge said chapters have been chartered in nine states, but none yet in Wisconsin.

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"He said the goal of the group will be 'to take our land back . . . through the intervention of God. This is white man's land.'

"Speakers at Tuesday night's meeting drew applause and cries of 'amen' frequently, including when they spoke of 'blowing the head off' busing integration planners and forcing the Jews out of the country or calling 'plagues' down upon them.

"The speakers offered for sale booklets they claimed showed people how to avoid paying taxes or debts. They offered subscriptions to their newspaper 'Battle Ax,' and displayed a flag they said would become the 'new glory.'

"The first issue of the newspaper includes an article which quotes Tucker as saying the 'white seed' group is 'working hand in hand with the Ku Klux Klan . . .' It reprinted a photo of the sign in front of Tucker's church which proclaimed, 'God made the races different. White is holy. Jew - devil. Black - beast.'

"At least, that's what it said until some bypasser removed the 'a' from the word beast.

"The subscription coupon promised the paper would be mailed in a 'plain, brown, sealed envelope.'

"Besides Tucker, the speakers Tuesday night included the editor of the newsletter, from Humansville, Mo., and a man from Colby who says he is pastor of the Ministry of Christ Church, which has been supporting the 'white seed' group.

Tucker was traveling in what was described as a 'luxurious' motor home.

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"Persons who were at the meeting said at least two of the leaders of the group were dressed in white costumes with black belts, boots and spurs.

"Estimates of the audience ranged from 75 to 150. One man said he heard some people had come from as far as Minnesota. Reportedly, there were children as young as preschool age.

"Some of the spectators went out of curiosity, and came away shocked.

"'It's Nazi Germany all over again,' said a woman.

"'They came very close to inciting violence,' said a man. 'It's funny. They got up there and tore down this country and just about everything in it, yet this is the only country that would allow them to talk that way,' he added.

"Several of those who attended called the meeting 'frightening.' One man said he occasionally clapped because he wasn't sure he wanted to draw attention as an opponent.

"Sheriff Louis Gianoli was there and he estimated the crowd at 150. He said that included several persons associated with the Posse Comitatus group.

"(At the start of the meeting, a speaker referred to 'Tom,' who is Thomas Stockheimer, a leader of the comitatus now being sought by police for failing to appear for a 30-day jail term.)

Gianoli said he will advise District Attorney Daniel LaRocque of the meeting and ask him to review tape recordings of it.

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"The sheriff said policies of the 'white seed' group resemble no religion he has ever hear of.

"That doctrine is about as far from Christianity as Mars is from Ringle," he concluded."

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 11/12/76

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research  
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus. Enclosed for the information of Butte, Denver, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco and Seattle is one copy of enclosed LHM.

The Multnomah County SPC is the subject of Portland file 157-1433 (C).

Two copies of this LHM are being provided Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Intelligence, Portland.

Sources utilized in enclosed LHM are as follows:

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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Sylvester P. Ehr is the publicly known Chairman of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, which holds meetings in the "Constitution Room" at 1021 N.E. Union, Portland, Oregon.

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- APPENDIX -

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI (157-33487) - 3731

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
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COMMITTEE (CLERC)  
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Enclosed for each recipient is one copy of a letter from the Attorney General captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatu dated 10/14/76.

Above letter from the Attorney General approved the full investigation of the SPC.

The SPC was organized in 1973, by Henry Lamont (Mik Beach, who resides in Portland, Oregon.

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization whi claims that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcen authority, that the Federal Reserve System and graduated income tax are not lawful, and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish a dictatorship over the courts. One of the basic beliefs of the SPC is that state and Federal cov including the Supreme Court, have been subverting the Constitution by applying arbitrary judgment on important issues rather than following the dictates of the Constitutor

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The membership of each chapter depends on the recruiting efforts of local chapter members.

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Membership or affiliation alone in the SPC is not an adequate basis for the initiation of investigation. It must be shown that an individual is in a policy-making position or has engaged in activities which indicate he is likely to use force or violence in violation of Federal law. For clarification, those considered in policy-making positions are those who hold local, state or national office. The investigation of an individual should focus on those activities which reflect active support of the SPC as well as any violations of Federal law. Ideological or political rhetoric is relevant but cannot be the sole basis for investigation.

Field offices should concentrate their investigative efforts on SPC activities which clearly fit within the AGG. Social and legitimate political matters should not be covered or reported by informants. Speeches made at SPC functions which do not indicate harassment, intimidation, violence or violation of Federal law should not be reported, unless there is indication of major policy revisions or changes.

Airtel to SAC, Albany  
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka

in organizational objectives. Information received that will be of interest to local or other Federal law enforcement agencies should be appropriately disseminated.

Continued informant coverage of SPC activities including rallies is authorized. It will not be necessary to advise the Bureau of rallies and meetings unless activity occurs which would be deemed of interest to either the Bureau and/or the Department. It will be sufficient to compile a summary of these activities which should be submitted to the Portland Office for inclusion in their annual report. The Portland Office should be promptly advised of any activity that would be of interest to that office in their coverage of the national organization.

If it comes to the attention of a field office that a new SPC chapter has been formed, the rules concerning full investigations included in the AGG should be promptly complied with.

For the information of recipients, the summary memorandum which was submitted to the Department concerning the SPC was dated 9/20/76. It will be necessary to submit supplemental summaries in the form of investigative reports to the Department of Justice on a yearly basis. Therefore, an investigative insert concerning SPC activity within each field division should be submitted to the Portland Office no later than 8/20/77.

NOTE: By letter dated 10/14/76, the Attorney General approved the full investigation of the SPC. Above necessary to insure that all offices are apprised of the Attorney General's decision and receive current policy concerning the SPC investigation. This communication is being sent to all field offices as the stated goal of this organization is to establish chapters in every state within the country.

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_ (Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873)(RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research  
Committee (CLERC)

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ReBuairtel to Albany and all offices dated 10/26/76.

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WFO will advise the Bureau and Portland if any  
information surfaces from sources that would indicate there  
is a local chapter within the WDC area.

WFO is considering this matter RUC'd at this time.

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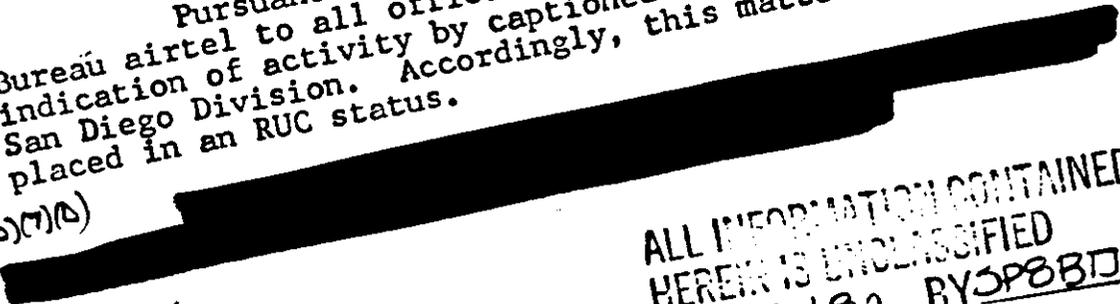
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Re Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76.

Pursuant to instructions set forth in referenced Bureau airtel to all offices dated 10/26/76, there is no indication of activity by captioned organization in the San Diego Division. Accordingly, this matter is being placed in an RUC status.

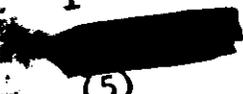
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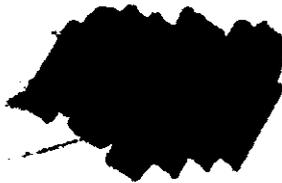
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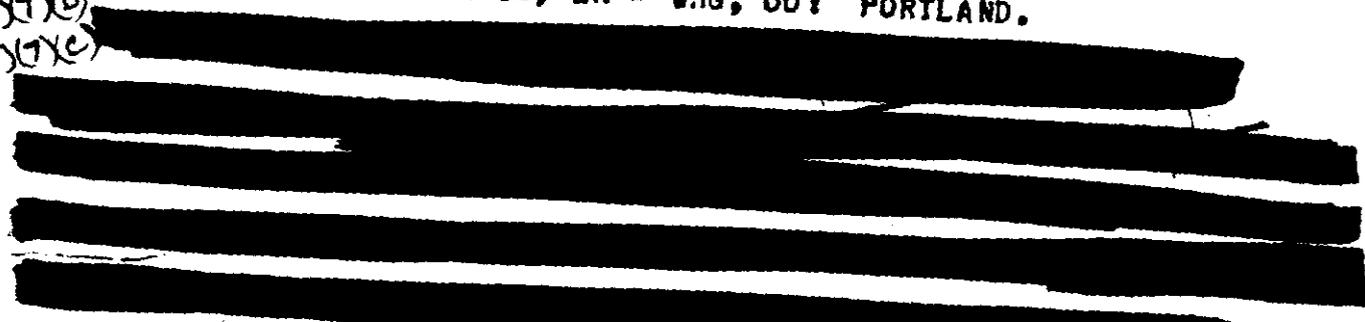
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DURING THE PERIOD DECEMBER 19 THROUGH 26, 1976, THREE  
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AN UNEXPLODED PIPE BOMB WAS LOCATED IN A PICKUP TRUCK AT DEELL,  
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RE PORTLAND TELETYPE, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE, DATED AUGUST 28, 1976.

SOURCE UTILIZED IS [REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED] HAS BEEN PERSONALLY ADVISED OF ABOVE INFORMATION.  
IT IS NOTED THAT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS SPC MEMBERS HAVE VISITED  
PORTLAND FBI OFFICE, PORTLAND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND PORTLAND  
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE INTELLIGENCE, MAKING VARIOUS COMPLAINTS

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AND ESPOUSING SPC RHETORIC.

INFORMATION CONCERNING BOMBINGS BEING FURNISHED FBIHQ SEPARATELY  
AND INFORMATION CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUSPECT BEING DISSEMINATED TO  
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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 1/20/77

FROM: *Adic* ADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement  
and Research Committee  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
OO: Portland

Re FBIHQ airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76 and  
Portland letter to FBIHQ dated 11/12/76.

It is noted Los Angeles report of SA [redacted]  
[redacted] dated 7/1/76 revealed investigation of Sheriff's  
Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the Los Angeles Division was  
being closed inasmuch as no information of recent acts  
of violence had been developed.

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[redacted] these sources  
have no information concerning the SPC which would require  
investigation of the SPC in the Los Angeles Division under  
current Attorney General guidelines.

In accordance with FBIHQ instructions, Los  
Angeles is maintaining investigation of SPC in a closed  
status but will advise the Portland Office no later than  
8/20/77 of the status of SPC at that time.

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# Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 2/17/77

SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka;  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
(OO: Portland)

Re Portland teletype to Director, 12/7/76.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 2/17/77

FROM : SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), Aka  
EM - WHG  
OO: PORTLAND

Re Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 8/27/76;  
and Bureau letter to Albany, dated 10/26/76.

Re Denver letter indicated there was no  
known active chapter of captioned organization in  
the Denver area. Since referenced Denver letter,  
no information has come to the Denver Division from  
public sources, police agencies or informants that  
captioned group is active within the Denver Division.

In view of this, this matter is being  
considered RUC'd.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (P)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC) aka  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)  
EM  
(FULL INVESTIGATION)

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Re Dallas airtel and LHM dated 7/19/76, and Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76, entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (Clerc), EM."

By airtel and LHM dated 7/19/76, Dallas furnished Bureau details regarding the Citizens for Constitutional Compliance (CCC) which is aligned with the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC). Investigation was closed on the organization at that time since the CCC was not violence prone.

Following receipt of Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76, supra, the investigation regarding the CCC was reopened to follow the organization's activities in accordance with Bureau instructions, following authorization by the Attorney General to conduct a full field investigation on the national SPC organization.

Investigation to date has developed no information to indicate the CCC is actively involved in a broad membership drive or is it conducting other activities of a militant or violent nature in the Dallas area.

Investigative insert will be furnished to the Portland Office per Bureau instructions by 8/20/77.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)      DATE: 5/13/77

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: *JGD*  
*AO*  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka;  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
(OO: Portland)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS."

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA; DS - WHITE HATE GROUP;

OO: PORTLAND.

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THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITIZEN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND OREGON, IN 1973 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. THE SPC IS A NON-AFFILIATED OFF-SHOOT OF THE IDENTITY GROUP (IG), A CALIFORNIA BASED TAX REBELLION

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ORGANIZATION. THE SPC CLAIMS THAT THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM AND THE GRADUATED INCOME TAX ARE "ULTRA VIRES AND NOT LAWFUL," AND THAT THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY HAS ATTEMPTED TO ESTABLISH A "DICTATORSHIP OF THE COURTS OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC."

THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POSSE IN EACH COUNTY TO ASSIST THE ONLY LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATING THE UNLAWFUL ACTS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS.

SOME MEMBERS AND LEADERSHIP OF THE SPC HAVE VOICED HATRED FOR JEWS AND NEGROES, ADVOCATED THE ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 6/9/77

FROM : *JAD* SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: *AD* SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
OO: PORTLAND

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(b)(7)(c) Re Portland report of SA [redacted] 4/6/77,  
captioned [redacted]

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above.

Portland is disseminating two copies of captioned LHM to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence, Portland, Oregon [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Portland, Oregon

June 9, 1977

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

[REDACTED] was arrested by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Portland Police officers on a bench warrant for violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 113 (d), for failure to appear, [REDACTED] assault on a Federal Protective Service Officer at the Federal Building, Portland, Oregon, on [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] publically recognized member of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix) in Portland, Oregon.

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ATTN: LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, DOMESTIC SECURITY - WHITE HATE GROUP,  
HOFILE 157-33487, POFILE 157-1432 (P).

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AUSA JEFFREY L. ROGERS HAS BEEN KEPT ADVISED OF THE ABOVE.

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RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO FBIHQ FEBRUARY 16, 1977,

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b2, b7D NO ACTION BEING TAKEN AT THIS TIME. PORTLAND MAINTAINING CLOSE CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REGARDING THIS MATTER AND WILL KEEP FBIHQ ADVISED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/15/77

FROM : *JGD* SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: *HS* SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research  
Committee (CLERC);  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
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As recipients are aware, Portland's summary memorandum, dated 9/20/76, was submitted to the Department of Justice, and the Attorney General approved a full investigation of the SPC. Portland was instructed to submit supplemental summaries in the form of investigative reports on a yearly basis.

Recipients are requested to submit investigative inserts concerning SPC activity to Portland no later than 8/20/77.

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# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: June 21, 1977

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (157-16477) - RUC -

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement & Research Committee (CLERC);  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
OO - Portland

Re Portland letter to the Bureau 6/15/77.

This is to advise that captioned group does not exist in the New Orleans Division.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
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DATE: 6/23/77

TO: SAC, TAMPA (157-1432)(RUC)

FROM: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research  
Committee (CLERC);  
SUBJECT: ~~DS - WHITE HATE GROUP~~  
(OO: Portland)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

RePDlet 6/15/77.

Review of files of the Tampa Office contain no information concerning activity within the past year on the part of captioned organization. Accordingly, Tampa is not submitting an investigative insert concerning SPC activity.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/27/77

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-6127) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), Aka.  
~~Citizens Law Enforcement and Research~~  
Committee (CLERC)  
IS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
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Re PD let to Bureau 6/15/77.

No activities in the Cincinnati Division have been reported regarding the SPC or its members.

(b)(7)(C) On 11/30/76, [redacted] Secretary of the State of Ohio, advised that the SPC and the CLERC are not incorporated or chartered in the State of Ohio. [redacted] stated the Office of the Attorney General of Ohio does not keep the records on incorporated or chartered organizations.

Cincinnati will remain alert for any future activities in its territory.

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DATE: 6/30/77

REPLY TO: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-10026) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH  
COMMITTEE (CLERC)

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(OO: PORTLAND)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

Re Bureau airtel, 10/26/76, captioned as above,  
and Portland letter to Director, captioned as above, 6/15/77.

As investigation has failed to disclose the  
existence of a chapter organization in North Carolina, no  
report is being submitted by Charlotte.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)      DATE: 7/1/77

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-6001) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement and  
Research Committee (CLERC);  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
(OO: PD)

Reference Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77.

The Mobile Division has no known chapter of captioned organization active in the division.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 7/11/77

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
DS  
OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77; Chicago letter to Bureau, 6/8/76.

Chicago has, since the date of Chicago's above referenced letter, maintained liaison with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in regard to possible SPC or Identity Group (IG) activities in the Chicago area.

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[REDACTED] the SPC continues to appear inactive or defunct and that there was no known SPC or IG activity.

In the event pertinent information is received regarding activities over which the FBI has investigative jurisdiction, the Bureau and interested offices will be appropriately advised.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
 Citizens Law Enforcement and Research  
 Committee (CLERC)  
 DS-White Hate Group  
 (OO:PD)

RePDlet to the Director, dated 6/15/77 and WFO airtel  
 to the Director, dated 11/17/76, captioned as above.

As indicated previously (see referenced WFO airtel),  
 WFO is not aware of any Washington, D. C. (WDC) activity  
 regarding captioned group.

If any information surfaces which would tend to  
 indicate that there is a local chapter in the WDC area, WFO  
 will advise the Bureau and Portland immediately.

WFO is considering this matter RUC'd. No investigative  
 inserts being forwarded at this time.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 7/22/77

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FROM : SAC, HONOLULU (157-308) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH  
COMMITTEE (CLERC)  
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Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 10/26/76.

Enclosed for the Portland Office are two copies of  
an investigative insert.

For the information of the Bureau, contact with  
established sources of the Honolulu Office has not developed  
any information regarding the captioned organization.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (157-7816) (RUC)

DATE: 7/27/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research  
Committee (CLERC)  
DS-WHITE HATE GROUP  
(OO: PORTLAND)

Re: Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77.  
Bureau airtel to Albany, 10/26/76.

The Newark office possesses no information relative to the formation of a SPC chapter or organized SPC activity in the State of New Jersey.

Newark will remain alert for any information pertaining to SPC formation or activity and the Bureau and office of origin will be advised promptly.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/3/77

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-2904) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS  
(SPC), aka  
DS - WHG  
OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to Bureau 6/15/77.

For information of Bureau and Portland, no information received that SPC active in Knoxville Division.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-5891) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to the Bureau dated 6/15/77 and captioned as above.

(b77XD) A canvass of [redacted] and county clerk's offices within the Miami Division during July and August, 1977, disclosed captioned organization was not known to exist or be involved in any activities in the Southern Florida area.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) aka  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
OO: PORTLAND  
Bufile 157-33487  
PD file 157-1432  
DL file 157-3360 (RUC)



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CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC) aka  
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
OO: DALLAS  
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PD file 157-1432  
DL file 157-3317 (C)

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Re Dallas airtel to Bureau dated 4/22/77, Portland letter to Bureau dated 6/15/77, entitled "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) aka, DS - WHITE HATE GROUP", OO: Portland.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted at Dallas concerning the Citizens for Constitutional Compliance. Enclosed for Portland are two copies of the same insert.

The investigation at Dallas, Texas was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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ENCLOSURE  
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- 2 - Dallas (1 - 157-3317) (CCC)
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Special Agent in Charge)

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Per enclosed insert, investigation at Dallas indicates that although Citizens for Constitutional Compliance continues to exist at Dallas, Texas, there is no indication at this time that either leadership or members are engaged in activities or advocate the use of force or violence to overthrow the U.S. Government. In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted at Dallas, since the organization does not meet the criteria for investigation in Domestic Security matters.

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The Attorney General  
Attention: Office of Policy and Planning  
Investigation Review Unit  
Director, FBI

OCTOBER 5, 1977

**SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)  
DOMESTIC SECURITY**

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting an investigation concerning captioned matter in accordance with the current guidelines for domestic security investigations.

Reference:

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Enclosures:

- A memorandum to notify you of
  - An extended preliminary investigation
  - A limited investigation
  - A full investigation
- A 90-day progress report
- An annual report
- Other **THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU OF THE CLOSING OF A FULL INVESTIGATION.**

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Request of Department: **REC-71/57-33487-4**  
 It is requested that you determine in writing whether continued full investigation is warranted.

Other

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- 1 - Mr. Held
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- 1 - Mr. McDermott

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To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - Each Assistant Director

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)  
DOMESTIC SECURITY

RePDairtel and LHM 9/12/77.

ReLHM recommended that the full domestic security investigation of captioned organization be terminated in view of the activities of this organization during the past year. After thorough review of this matter, FBIHQ concurs with Portland's recommendation. Recipients are to close any investigation which might be open on the SPC or any of its members based solely on their affiliation with this group.

If in the future, it comes to the attention of a field office that a local SPC chapter or individual SPC member has become involved in activities which meet the criteria for investigation under the Attorney General's domestic security guidelines, an appropriate recommendation for investigation should be submitted to FBIHQ for consideration. If the Portland Office is in receipt of information that the organization, at a National level has become involved in activities which would fit within the Guidelines, then these facts should be submitted to the Bureau with appropriate recommendations.

Information is not to be accepted from informants concerning the SPC as an organization unless that information pertains to specific security or criminal activities in which the FBI has investigative interest. Information pertaining to criminal matters not within the FBI's investigative

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Airtel to SAC, Albany  
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

jurisdiction should be accepted and given proper  
dissemination.

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Airtel to SAC, Albany  
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

NOTE: Reairtel and LHM set forth the activities of the SPC during the past year. Previously, the Attorney General had approved the full investigation of the SPC on 10/14/76. Portland notes that the current activities of the SPC are primarily verbal and rhetorical in nature, there is no cohesiveness in the organization nationally and the likelihood of fulfilling their goals is remote. The most recent SPC violation of laws has been local in nature [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Portland recommends that when allegations are made concerning SPC members or groups they should be addressed on an individual basis according to whether the activity meets criteria set forth in the Attorney General's Guidelines. Based on the above, the activities of the SPC do not meet the necessary standards which must be considered when authorizing and conducting a full investigation of an organization. FBIHQ, therefore, concurs with Portland's recommendation to close the investigation of SPC. The Office of Policy and Planning, Investigation Review Unit, U. S. Department of Justice, is being advised separately of the closing of this full investigation.

APPROVED:

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~~SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS~~ SUMMARY  
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(157-33487-6 through 376)  
There is attached one copy of a summary memorandum dated September 12, 1977, from Portland, Oregon, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), Also Known As Citizen's Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)" reflecting results of investigation conducted by the FBI regarding SPC.

(157-33487-404)  
Investigation regarding SPC was closed on October 5, 1977, based upon information that activities of this group did not meet the criteria under the Attorney General's domestic security guidelines. There has been no subsequent reopening of this investigation and no information has come to the attention of the FBI which would prompt this Bureau to reopen it at this time.

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NOTE: Matter coordinated with Supervisor [REDACTED] Substantive and Civil Disorders Unit, Criminal Investigative Division.

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**Sheriff's Posse Comitatus**  
IN LAW GREAT CHARTER IN AND FOR CARROLL COUNTY, MD.  
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NOVEMBER 26, 1979

TO ALL PERSONS IN THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

*Sheriff's Posse Comitatus*

SUBJECT: " SEDITION CONSPIRACY " AGAINST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. TITLE 18 U.S. CODE SECT. # 2384 & 241. AUTHORITY IN LAW UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, ART. 2 ; ART. 3 ; ART. 4 ; ART. 8 MARYLAND CONSTITUTION DECLARATION OF RIGHTS. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ARTICLE 4 SECTION 4 . AND YOUR OATH OR AFFIRMATION TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, BECAUSE THAT IS 100% AMERICA AND ANYTHING CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, THATS LAW, THE SUPREME LAW IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR ALL! .

(A COPY WILL GO IN CIRCUIT COURT CARROLL COUNTY AND THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS)

THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, HAS GIVEN US MARYLANDERS OVER TO " SOCIALISM " ALREADY BY THEIR LEGISLATIVE ACTS, THAT ARE NOT LAWFUL AND THEY CAN NOT BE CALLED LAW!. BUT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS A POLICE STATE IN MOST COUNTIES UNDER "MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS" , THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE LAW ENFORCEMENT WE CANNOT ELECT, NOTE-CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND DECLARATION OF RIGHTS ART.2-4 AND THE CONSTITUTION OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ART. 4 SEC. 4 . THE STATE POLICE OF MARYLAND ARE " UNLAWFUL " BECAUSE POWERS WERE CREATED AND DELEGATED BY THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY "UNLAWFUL" ACTS. THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION DECLARATION OF RIGHTS ART. 8 THAT THE LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL POWERS OF GOVERNMENT OUGHT TO BE FOREVER SEPARATE AND DISTINCT FROM EACH OTHER; AND NO PERSON EXERCISING THE FUNCTIONS OF ONE OF SAID DEPARTMENTS SHALL ASSUME OR DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF ANY OTHER. THE STATE POLICE ARE UNDER EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT DELEGATED POWERS OF SHERIFF, IN ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND STATE POLICE ART. 88B ; NOTE 88B SEC. 4 THE SAME POWERS, PRIVILEGES, IMMUNITIES, AND DEFENSES AS SHERIFFS, CONSTABLES, POLICE OFFICERS, ECT. AND THE SHERIFF WHOM WE CAN ELECT HAS BEEN OPPRESSED AND HIS DUTIES "FIXED" BY LAW, BY DOINGS OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS "JAILER AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COUNTY JAIL" ART. 27 SECT.645R. LOOK UP IN BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY UNDER SHERIFF AMERICAN LAW THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF A COUNTY, . WE ARE BEING DESTROY BY ACTS IN "EQUITY" TO COMMUNIST'S WAYS IN GOVERNMENT BY A POLICE STATE TO FORCES US CONSTITUTIONAL AMERICANS TO OBEY BY THERE GUNS . THE STATE POLICE FORCE PEOPLE AROUND BECAUSE THEY HANDEL GUN PERMIT WITH NO LAWFUL POWER, JUST GUNS AND PEOPLE THATS WHAT THE STATE POLICE USE AND WHAT THEY CALL LAW. WE HAVE NO LAW, GIVE US LAWFUL LAW SO WE MY HAVE SOME LAW AND ORDER! .

CARROLL COUNTY DID NOT HAVE A " CHARTER " UNTIL THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS WAS CHARTERED IN LAW. "THE BODY OF THE COUNTY". WE ARE IT. THE COMMISSIONERS ARE UNDER A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, THERE CORPORATION IS NOT WITHSTANDING TO ARE IN LAW CHARTER IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW. THE COMMISSIONERS USE STATE POLICE WITH THE HELP OF THE STATES ATTORNEY OFFICE AND JUDICIAL BRANCH TO HAVE A POLICE STATE IN CARROLL COUNTY BY THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH THERE SO LAW, IN FORCE IN CARROLL COUNTY. WE WANT A INVESTIGATION OF THE HIGHEST ORDER FOR THIS CONSPIRACY NOT CONFLICT OF INTEREST .

23 DEC 6 1979  
SIGNED ORDER OF CAPTAIN OF SHERIFF'S POSSE

*Capt. Bruce Groff*  
CAPTAIN BRUCE GROFF IN LAW  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS  
P.O. BOX 042 WESTMINSTER, Md.

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"In and For Carroll County"

COMMON LAW vs STATUTORY LAW

Par. 1: Federalist Papers #46, James Madison, wrote; "The Federal and State Governments are in fact but different agents and trustees of the people...the adversaries of the Constitution seem to have lost sight of the people altogether, They must be told that the ultimate authority resides in the people.

Par. 2: Federalist Papers #78, Alexander Hamilton, wrote; "No legislative act contrary to the Constitution can be valid. to deny this would be to affirm that the deputy is greater than his principle; that the servant is above the master; that the representatives of the people are superior to the people, that men, acting by virtue of powers, may do not only what their powers to not authorize, but what they forbid. It is not to be supposed that the Constitution could intend to enable the representatives of the people to substitute their will to that of their constituents. A Constitution is, in fact, and must be regarded by Judges as a fundamental Law. If there should happen to be an irreconcilable variance between the two, the Constitution is to be preferred to the statute." Nor does this conclusion by any means suppose a superiority of the Judicial to the Legislative. It only supposes that the power of the people is superior to both and that the power of the people is superior to both and that where the will of the legislature, declared in its statutes, stands in opposition to that of the people as declared in the Constitution, the judges must be governed by the latter, rather than for former.

Par. 3: An Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Scott vs Sanford, 19 How 393, 15 L Ed 691; "Neither the legislative, executive nor judicial departments of the federal government can lawfully exercise any authority beyond the limits marked out by the Constitution.

Par. 4: 16 An Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Wilson vs Philadelphia Scho. Dist. 328 Pa 225, 195 A 90, 113 ALR 1401; "Any fundamental or basic power necessary to government cannot be delegated."

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Par. 5: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 178; Constitutional Law. "The general rule is that an unconstitutional statute, though having the form and name of law, is in reality no law, but is wholly void and ineffective for any purpose; since unconstitutionality dates from the time of its enactment and not merely from the date of the decision so branding it; an unconstitutional law, in legal contemplation, is as inoperative as if it had never been passed....an unconstitutional law is VOID...it imposes no duties, confers no rights, creates no office... bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it... an unconstitutional law cannot repeal or supercede any existing valid law...an unconstitutional statute cannot repeal or in any way effect an existing valid one....the general principals stated above apply to the Constitution as well as to the laws of the several States insofar as they are repugnant to the Constitution of the United States. Moreover, the construction of a statute which brings it in conflict with a Constitution, will nullify it as effectually as if it had been enacted in conflict therewith.

Par. 6: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 547; Daniel Webster, James Otis and Sir Edward Coke all pointed out that the mere fact of enactment does not and cannot raise statutes to the standing of LAW not everything which may pass under the form of statutory enactment can be considered the LAW of the land."

Par. 7: U. S. Sup. Ct. Maybury vs Madison, 1803, 2 L Ed. 60; 1 Cra. 137; ref. 6 Whea: 246 & Wal 601; "Law repugnant to the Constitution is VOID"...an act of the legislature, for I cannot call it law CONTRARY to the first great principles of the social compact (constitution) cannot be considered a right ful exercise of legislative uthority."

Par. 8; 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 177; "An unconstitutional statute though having the form and name of law, is in reality NO LAW, but wholly null and void and ineffective for any purpose. It imposes no duty, confers no rights, creates no office, bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it. No one is bound to obey an unconstitutional statute and no courts are bound to enforce it."

Par. 9: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210: Constitutional Law; "A characteristic feature and one of the cardinal and fundamental principles of the American Constitutional system is that the government powers are divided among the three departments of government, the legislative, the executive and the judicial; and that each of these is separate from the others. The rule is generally recognized that Constitutional restraints are overstepped where one department of government attempts to exercise powers exclusively delegated to another;



officers of any branch of government cannot permit its powers to be exercised by any other branch."

Par. 10. 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec, 178; Constitutional Law; "The general rule is that an unconstitutional act of the legislature protects no one. It is said that all persons are presumed to know the law, meaning that ignorance of the law excuses no one; if any person acts under an unconstitutional statute, he does so at his peril and must take the consequences."

Par. 11. Section 2384, Title 18, United States Code reads: Seditious conspiracy; "if two or more persons in any State or Territory, or in any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, conspire to overthrow, put down, or to destroy by force the Government of the United States; or to levy war against them, or to oppose by force to seize, take, or possess any property of the United States contrary to the authority thereof, they shall each be fined not more than \$20,000.00 or be imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both."

(It is to be noted here that the authority of the United States is the Constitution. Further, the force need not be limited to "military force" but can be legal force, psychological force, economic force, etc....It is there fore quite clear that all persons who participate in the conspiracy known as "Metro Government", are clearly in violation of this code and should be held to answer for such crime by all Poses. Such persons are unlawfully attempting to alter our form of government.)

Since a guide of this type cannot possibly anticipate each and every local problem or condition, it should be utilised where the Constitution and the Natural Law is being violated. In many instances such violations may involve officials of the federal or local government as much as by individual citizens. In the interest of education, some of the most prolific violations by government officials and agencies are included here as major examples which should be contemplated by all citizens interested in the Posse Comitatus.





HARRY HUGHES  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MARYLAND  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21404

October 17, 1979

Reverend Buck R. Harris  
Box 491  
Manchester, Maryland 21102

Dear Reverend Harris:

I reviewed your communication of October 10, 1979 in which you have asked me to issue an executive order ordering the County Commissioners of Carroll County to grant Sheriff Campbell's alleged request for the establishment of "a county sheriff's law enforcement agency county wide."

Contrary to your opinion, neither the Constitution nor the laws of Maryland vest such authority in the Governor. Therefore, I must deny your request.

Sincerely,

Governor

Black's Law Dictionary-5th Edition-Page 1234 says Sheriff-"The Chief Executive and Administrative officer of a County".

Md. Constitution Art 2. says " the United States Const. and the treaties thereof shall be the Supreme law of the State."

US Constitution says " Art & Sect. 4 guarantees to every State a Republican Form of Government". "Not Municipal" as we have .

Republican Form of Government-Black's Law Dictionary 5th Edition. Page 1171 Representatives "chosen by the people" See Sheriff-Page 1234.

Laws of Maryland-CONSPIRE-AGAINST "SHERIFF".

Attorney General Opinion-RELUCTANTLY\*CAUTIOUSLY\* ADVISES "IN EQUITY AGAINST SUPREME LAW OF STATE". THE STATE HAS MADE A COSTLY MISTAKE-by Maryland State Police-Criminal Investigations-UNLAWFUL ARRESTS. "The PRICE OF CONSPIRACY" WE ARE SUPPOSE TO LIVE WITH THEIR " MISTAKES" *Spec Buck Harris*



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to State roads generally, see article 29B. As to particular powers, see the various sections of this article. As to appeals from decisions of county commissioners, see article 5, §§ 27, 29, and Maryland Rules, Rules 81 to 812.

I. IN GENERAL.

Effect of amendment. — The 1972 amendment added the provision as to Frederick County.

Editor's note. — Section 2, ch. 82, Acts 1972, provides that wherever the term "clerk" in reference to the clerk to the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County shall appear either in the Annotated Code of Maryland or in the Code of the County of Frederick, Maryland, it shall mean the administrative assistant to the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County.

Maryland Law Review. — For article entitled "County Home Rule—Sharing the State's Legislative Power With Maryland Counties," see 28 Md. L. Rev. 327 (1968).

Historical origins of county commissioners. — Historically, county commissioners are outgrowths of the old levy courts (originally established by ch. 63 of the Laws of 1794), which were composed of the justices of the peace of the several counties. Their duties were to meet and determine the necessary expenses of their counties and to impose an assessment or rate on property to defray county expenses. City of Bowie v. County Comm'rs, 258 Md. 454, 267 A.2d 172 (1970).

The name "county commissioners" was first constitutionally recognized in the Constitution of 1861. City of Bowie v. County Comm'rs, 258 Md. 454, 267 A.2d 172 (1970).

Powers and duties. — A scanning of this article "county commissioners," reveals that county commissioners continue to have administrative and executive powers and duties and have acquired specified legislative powers and duties. City of Bowie v. County Comm'rs, 258 Md. 454, 267 A.2d 172 (1970).

Until the Constitution of 1867, county commissioners were simply administrative officers in charge of county finances, and taking care of public roads. After the Constitution of 1867 these powers could be broadened by legislative authority. City of Bowie v. County Comm'rs, 258 Md. 454, 267 A.2d 172 (1970).

Commissioners act in administrative or executive capacity. — It long has been recognized in Maryland that county commissioners in much of their functioning act as administrators or in an executive capacity. City of Bowie v. County Comm'rs, 258 Md. 454, 267 A.2d 172 (1970).

Test to determine when action is legislative and when executive or administrative. — See City of Bowie v. County Comm'rs, 258 Md. 454, 267 A.2d 172 (1970).

County commissioners have limited authority. Tasker v. County Comm'rs, 82 Md. 150, 33 A. 407 (1895); Peter v. Prettyman, 62 Md. 566 (1884).

They can only perform acts expressly or impliedly permitted by their charters. Tasker v. County Comm'rs, 82 Md. 150, 33 A. 407 (1895); Peter v. Prettyman, 62 Md. 566 (1884).

The powers granted are strictly construed. — Powers granted to county commissioners are strictly construed, for they confer a special and limited jurisdiction. Barnett v. Board of County Comm'rs, 206 Md. 478, 112 A.2d 492 (1955).

And persons dealing with them are charged with knowledge of the extent of their powers. Tasker v. County Comm'rs, 82 Md. 150, 33 A. 407 (1895).

But charters need not designate every act authorized. — Charters of county commissioners need not specifically designate every act which they may do, nor every officer which they may appoint. Tasker v. County Comm'rs, 82 Md. 150, 33 A. 407 (1895).

County commissioners are corporations. — Under Maryland law county commissioners are corporations. Jay v. County Comm'rs, 120 Md. 49, 87 A. 521 (1913).

County commissioners of each county held to be a "municipal corporation." Neumenschwander v. Washington Sub. Sanitary Comm'n, 167 Md. 67, 48 A.2d 593 (1946).

They are alleged pernicious activity by one member cannot be imputed to the board. — The fact that an individual member of board of county commissioners may have been indiscreet, or even perniciously active in relation to a matter to be acted upon by the board of county commissioners, cannot be imputed to the board in its corporate capacity. Jay v. County Comm'rs, 120 Md. 49, 87 A. 521 (1913).

Appointment of officers, etc., authorized. — The county commissioners may appoint all other officers, etc., required for county purposes in addition to those provided for by the Constitution or the acts of the Assembly. Commissioners of Washington County v. Nesbitt, 6 Md. 486 (1854).

It is the duty of county commissioners to assess unassessed lands for taxation. Hence, they are authorized to employ a person to make abstracts of title of unassessed lands, and if such person's report is adopted or, being received, ought to be adopted, the commissioners must pay for it. Tasker v. County Comm'rs, 82 Md. 150, 33 A. 407 (1895).

It is the duty of county commissioners to have an assay appointed as are necessary to keep up the bridges and supervise the roads.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: *HCP* SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC);  
CIVIL UNREST - TAX PROTESTERS

Re Omaha airtel to the Bureau dated 3/13/80.

Enclosed herein are the original and one copy each of two investigative inserts.

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In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted at Portland.

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ATTENTION DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS - DOMESTIC SECURITY,

CIVIL UNREST.

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RE MILWAUKEE TELETYPE TO CHICAGO DATED APRIL 16,  
1980, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE (NO COPY FURNISHED TO THE  
BUREAU OR INDIANAPOLIS); AND TELCALL BETWEEN SUPERVISOR  
[REDACTED], DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION, FBIHQ, AND  
SUPV. [REDACTED] CHICAGO.

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FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND INDIANAPOLIS,  
REFERENCED MILWAUKEE TELETYPE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING:

ON APRIL 15, 1980, A CALLER IDENTIFYING HIMSELF  
AS [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED MADISON,

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WISCONSIN RA AND INSTRUCTED THE RECIPIENT OF THE  
CALL TO TAKE DOWN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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[REDACTED] THE CALLER  
STATED THAT "IF YOU LIKE THE INFORMATION, I WILL GIVE  
YOU MORE."

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INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY CHICAGO REVEALED THAT  
TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] IS ASSIGNED TO [REDACTED]

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INDIANAPOLIS SHOULD NOTE [REDACTED]  
IS LOCATED IN WILL COUNTY, AND THERE HAS BEEN LIMITED  
KLAN ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA. CHICAGO DOES NOT SUGGEST,  
NOR DOES CHICAGO HAVE EVIDENCE TO INDICATE THAT [REDACTED]

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HOWEVER, THIS COULD OCCUR, THEREFORE, UACB, CHICAGO  
WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS TO INSURE OUR FBI  
RESPONSIBILITIES:

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WITH ATF, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY PERSON [REDACTED]

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FBI AGENTS WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY SEARCHES  
OR ARRESTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC);  
DOMESTIC SECURITY  
(OO:Portland)

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Preliminary inquiry initiated 4/10/80.

Preliminary inquiry was initiated upon receipt of a communication from FBIHQ, dated 4/7/80, wherein the following information was furnished to FBIHQ by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (BATF):

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ATTENTION: DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS; DOMESTIC SECURITY - CIVIL UNREST.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES,  
DATED APRIL 17, 1980, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY THE CHICAGO DIVISION AND

TREASURY AGENTS, AFT, DETERMINED [REDACTED]

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CHICAGO IS CONDUCTING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

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① SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS;  
DOMESTIC SECURITY

Preliminary investigation initiated 6/26/80, to expire 9/26/80.

On 6/23/80, a briefing by FBIHQ personnel was afforded Congressman David R. Obey, Wisconsin, at his request. At this meeting, he expressed concern that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the State of Wisconsin may be engaged in activities warranting investigation under the Attorney General Guidelines for the conduct of Domestic Security investigations.

Congressman Obey advised that [redacted]

[redacted] Congressman Obey further advised [redacted] was anxious to speak to a representative of the FBI.

[redacted]

As a result, a limited investigation was initiated on the captioned group. After the results of the investigation were reviewed, it was determined that the allegation could not be substantiated.

To resolve this matter, Milwaukee should attempt to locate [redacted] and interview [redacted] evaluate his information, and make recommendations to FBIHQ as to whether or not further investigation into the activities of the SPC is warranted.

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airtel to SAC, Milwaukee  
Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Ensure all investigative steps are taken in full compliance with the Attorney General Guidelines for the conduct of Domestic Security investigations. All reporting guidelines are to be strictly adhered to.

A review of available records at FBIHQ indicates that

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NOTE: On 6/23/80, Congressman Obey, Wisconsin, advised that [REDACTED] had information regarding illegal activities of the captioned group. By this communication, Milwaukee is being instructed to resolve this matter by interviewing the individual.

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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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**C4 4M, The Oregonian**  
**Portland, Oregon**  
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# Jury returns guilty verdict on 3 charges in park bombing

Title: **SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS**

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Norman Elmer Miller, 39, was convicted of three criminal charges Wednesday in the April 23 bombing of the men's restroom in downtown Portland's Lownsdale Square.

A Multnomah County Circuit Court jury deliberated for an hour and 39 minutes before finding Miller guilty on two counts of first-degree arson and one count of first-degree criminal mischief.

The jury voted 11-1 for conviction on the first arson count, 10-2 on the second and 11-1 on the criminal mischief charge. Miller pleaded innocent to all three charges in May.

Circuit Judge John J. Murchison, who presided over the three-day trial, ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for 9:30 a.m. July 28.

Defense attorney John Ransom said he would appeal the verdicts but declined further comment.

During his final argument, Ransom contended that the state had tried to build a circumstantial case against Miller. He said the state presumed that he was the man who made telephoned threats to police minutes before the explosion and "perceived" Miller's presence in the area of the blast as "suspicious."

Ransom suggested that Francis E. Littleman, a transient seen entering the restroom just before it was demolished, could have been the trial's most important witness. He suggested that Littleman would have appeared at trial unless he had somehow been involved in the explosion.

Shirley Caterina, a receptionist in the Multnomah County district attorney's office, testified Wednesday that Littleman entered the office June 17 to ask when the trial would begin and was told to call in the next day to find out. He has not been seen or heard from since, she said.

Ransom also asked the jury to con-

sider the testimony of James Stanley Snyder, who said he saw Littleman emerge from the men's room and walk toward Southwest Third Avenue and Taylor Street, the site of the phone booth from which police believe Miller made a call less than nine minutes before the bomb went off at 10:32 a.m.

Prosecutor Steve Seymour argued that Miller "wanted attention" and acted almost "as if he wanted to be caught."

Seymour contended that it was Miller who twice called Sgt. Dan Noelle of the Portland Police Bureau on April 23 from two phone booths near the men's room, describing "a short fuse," a blast which would kill people up to 100 feet away, and finally revealing where the bomb was planted. The blast caused no injuries.

"He said he was going to do it and he did it," the deputy district attorney declared.

Seymour noted that police saw Miller leaving the Third and Taylor phone booth and walking a roundabout route to his car a block south of the blast site. Seymour said one officer described Miller's face as turning white, then gray, when the bomb exploded.

There was testimony that Miller had a permit to buy explosives and that a search of his home revealed 73 blasting caps. Ransom emphasized that no dynamite was found and that the state produced no evidence that Miller had bought any. He also pointed out that police fingerprint experts had not identified any fingerprints from either of the two phone booths as Miller's.

At the outset of the brief defense case Wednesday, Ransom moved for a judgment of acquittal on grounds that no reasonable juror could conclude from the state's evidence that Miller was responsible for the bombing. Murchison denied the motion, holding that there was sufficient evidence for the jury to consider.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

# Memorandum

TO : *WV* DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487) DATE: 9/16/80  
*HP*

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (157-10687)(CI-2)(RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSEE COMITATUS (SPC)  
DOMESTIC SECURITY  
(OO: PORTLAND)

Re Bureau airtel to all offices, 10/5/77.

Enclosed for the Bureau, Little Rock and Portland are two copies each of a handout that was provided, unsolicited, to the Grand Rapids Resident Agency by the local Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Office.

This is being provided to Portland and Little Rock because of the specific mention of Fort Smith, Arkansas, and the Bureau for whatever action it may deem necessary.

Due to the instructions in referenced Bureau airtel, Detroit is conducting no investigation and setting forth no leads.

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